

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An absorbent article comprising a pair of longitudinal side edges, a liquid pervious topsheet, a liquid impervious backsheet joined to said topsheet, and an absorbent core positioned between said topsheet and said backsheet, said absorbent article comprising:

an oil-based skin care composition provided on at least a portion of said topsheet,

a flap extending laterally outwardly from each longitudinal side edge, said flap comprising a garment surface, said garment surface of said flap comprising a flap adhesive, and

a barrier sheet attached only to said absorbent article by said flap adhesive, wherein said barrier sheet reduces the migration of the skin care composition therethrough to protect said flap adhesive from said oil-based skin care composition, the barrier sheet comprising a component selected from the group consisting of fluorochemicals, hydrophilic polymers, inorganic particles, and mixtures thereof; and

wherein the flaps are folded over the body surface of the absorbent article and the barrier sheet covers the adhesive before use of the absorbent article.
- 2-9. (Canceled).
10. (Previously Presented) The absorbent article of Claim 1 wherein at least one surface of the barrier sheet is treated so as to be releasable.
11. (Previously Presented) The absorbent article of Claim 1 wherein each flap is folded to form folded flaps and said barrier sheet is attached only to said folded flaps by said flap adhesive.

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12. (Currently Amended) An absorbent article comprising a pair of longitudinal side edges, a liquid pervious topsheet, a liquid impervious backsheet joined to said topsheet, and an absorbent core positioned between said topsheet and said backsheet, said absorbent article comprising:

an oil-based skin care composition provided on at least a portion of said topsheet,

a flap extending laterally outwardly from each longitudinal side edge, said flap comprising a garment surface, said garment surface of said flap comprising a flap adhesive, and

a barrier sheet that only covers a portion of the absorbent article that is the garment surface of the flap, wherein said barrier sheet reduces the migration of the skin care composition therethrough to protect said flap adhesive from said oil-based skin care composition, the barrier sheet comprising a component selected from the group consisting of fluorochemicals, hydrophilic polymers, inorganic particles, and mixtures thereof; and

wherein the flaps are folded over the body surface of the absorbent article and the barrier sheet covers the adhesive before use of the absorbent article.